

The House Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security offers the following substitute to HB 1348:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend Article 8 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to school buses, so as to create the Georgia School Bus Safety Task Force; to provide for members; to provide for duties; to provide for a report and recommendations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 8 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to school buses, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-6-166.

(a) There is created the Georgia School Bus Safety Task Force, which shall be composed of six members as follows:

(1) Two members appointed by the Governor;

(2) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(3) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate.

(b) At the first meeting of the task force, the members shall select from among their number a chairperson and a vice chairperson and shall adopt rules governing the transaction of business and record keeping. The task force shall meet on the call of the chairperson or upon the call of three or more members. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses.

(c) The duties of the task force shall be to:

(1) Make a comprehensive study of school bus safety designs and technology related to safety and law enforcement;

(2) Examine and study approaches taken by other states in the implementation of school bus safety measures and related costs;

(3) Research and develop recommendations relating to school bus safety; and

30 **SECTION 2.**

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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